the Central Government on 30th Oct., 1987 for involvement of voluntary agencies in the task of identification and rehabilitation of bonded labour in the country.

Apart from protection extended to child workers under the provisions of the Child Labour (Prohibition & Regulation) Act, 1986, the Government have announced in August, 1987 National Policy on Child Labour which *inter-alia* provides for taking up projects in areas of child labour concentration. Main components of the Policy are:

(i) The legal action plan which provides for strict enforcement of laws and legal provisions relating to child labour.

(ii) Focussing of on-going general development programmes of the Government for the benefit of child labour and their families wherever possible.

(iii) Project based plan of action under which projects for the benefit of working children in selected areas of child labour concentration are taken up.

(b) Categorisation of violators of the Bonded Labour System (Abolition) Act, 1976 as factory-owners and non factory-owners is not made and data as such not maintained.

(c) Since in many cases on integrated approach is adopted in regard to rehabilitation of bonded labour, the number of rehabilitation projects/schemes cannot be given. As regards the Child Labour, a total of 9 Projects under the National Policy on Child Labour have been sanctioned in Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh. The total number of special schools sanctioned under these projects is 78. The Projects do not discriminate between the released bonded child labour and non-bonded child labour.

Farming according to climate conditions

1318. SHRI ARANGIL SREEDHARAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are contemplating a thorough study on agricultural and cooperative farm/field conditions in the Agro-climatic zones; and

(b) if so, what concrete steps are being taken to train the farmers for use of better crops, suitable to the climatic conditions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) Fifteen agro-climatic zones have been identified in the country taking into account factors like soil type, rainfall, temperature and water resources. Zonal Planning Teams, set up for each of these regions, are responsible for making a detailed study of the local conditions and preparing zonal profiles.

(b) Necessary re-orientation in the extension technology for training the farmers for adopting crops suitable to the agro-climatic conditions can be given after zonal profiles and strategies have been prepared.

Replacement of old low power transmitters

1319. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR:

SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH:

SHRI BAIKUNTHA NATH SAHU:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to install LPT/HPT in every nook and corner of the country by the end of the current financial